

French mail, left Singapore this morning. . .
may be expected here this morning. . .
THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The O. and O. steamer *Guidic*, with the
American mail, left Yokohama on the 2nd
may be expected here on the 8th instant.
THE ENGLISH MAIL.
The F. and O. steamer *Galonic*, with
most English mail, left Singapore at 10 A.
the 5th, and may be expected here on the
instant.
POST-OFFICE NOTICES.
A MAIL WILL CLOSE
For Manila. - To-day, the 7th instant
9.30 A.M.
For Amoy, Tientsin, and Tientsin. - Per
to-day, the 7th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Swatow, Koway, and Foochow.
Dugout, to-day, the 7th instant, at 5 P.M.
For Sourabaya, Per Darwin, Coochew
Sydney. - Per *Criander*, to-day, the 7th in
at 5 P.M.
For Saigon. - Per *Charlin*, to-morrow
8th instant, at 4.30 P.M.
For Malacca. - Per *Diamant*, on Friday
8th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Japan, via Kobe. - Per *Nigata-Ma*
Friday, the 9th instant, at 5 P.M.
MAILS BY THE FRENCH MAILS.
The French Contract Packet "ANAL
will be despatched on WEDNESDAY, 7th
January, with Mails to and through the
Kingdom and Europe, via Naples; to
Straits Settlements, Batavia, Birmah,
Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Bombay,
Suez, and Alexandria.
HOURS FOR CLOSING THE POST OFFICE.
MAILS.
The following hours are observed in
Mails to and through the British and French
contract Packets.
DAY OF DEPARTURE.
5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.
5.30 P.M., Post Office closes at 5 P.M.
10.40 P.M., Letters closed, except for late
office hours.
9 P.M., Post Office opens.
9 P.M., Registry of Letters opens. For
all parcels, letters, and postcards closed.
10.10 P.M., Mails closed, except for late
10.10 P.M., Letters may be posted with
Fee of 15 cents each.
10.30 P.M., when the Post Office closes, all
10.40 P.M., Letters may be posted on
the Packet with Late Fee of 15 cents
time of departure.
To provide means of remitting
of money to or from this Colony and
the Ports of China and Japan, the Post
and Agents of this Office will in future
postage (but not required to purchase the
Postage Stamps from Japan, Hongkong,
between Hongkong and Shanghai, and
long and Yokohama, however in either
Money-Orders must be used.
The Stamps tendered for sale must
used, and the value of the stamps must
good condition, and in strips of at least
as separate Stamps will be purchased
must be presented personally or acco
by a note.
Letters containing Stamps should be
and the Stamps should be seen
observation.
The attention of owners, agents, and cl
of vessels to or from the provisions
Post Office Ordinance, 1876. . .
Under the old Ordinance no notice
required of the departure of a vessel if a
fined, nor of departure of a vessel if a
of departure of a vessel if a vessel departs
with regard to sailing ships, the old
practically remain in force, those notice
to be sent were asked for.
Section 17 of the Ordinance, that the first
Between Hongkong and Shanghai, and
In the case of steamers plying regular
fixed days, notice of any change in the
hour will be sufficient.
In the case of correspondence may still
be heard and vessel after the Mail is clos
Post Office.
The Postmaster-General takes this op
of calling the attention of firms to the
of the Ordinance, and the attention of
A.M. added to the advertisement of a
illegal. Consignments of letters are exempt
from passing through the Post Office.
person is allowed to retain a portion of
of the Post Office, under a penalty
per week during which the practice is
THE MERCHANTS.
Persons who are Masters of Tea
boats in this Colony are requested to be
made fast and secure instead of round, as
possible to pack round tea securely in
bags. It is believed that the tea will
be more secure in this manner, and
and once to be bulged in
4 by 3 by 14 inches is suggested as
size. This will not be a sharp
Many boxes of letters are received at
Office not sealed, that is to say, not
fastened with sealing wax, but the
impression of a seal.
The attention of Merchants is called
to the necessity of carefully sealing their
some recognizable seal, and of sending
book or receipt with them. The
the latter precaution leaves a doubt
the contents of letters is filled up
of the Post Office, the attention of the
whether the parties might not have
stratified for the sake of the Postage
MONEY ORDERS.
1. Money Orders on the United
and the Straits Settlements are issued
Kong, Shanghai, and Yokohama. . .
Yokohama also issue on Hongkong
currencies.
2. Small sums may be committed by
other Ports by means of Postage Stamp
3. Many Money Orders are supplied
at the smaller Offices are supplied
of the Post Office is filled up
provided with a stamp, directed, and
envelope to the Postmaster at the nearest
Office. The application must be made
with the full amount (including com
charge, Postage stamps, or other ap
sation), and a little margin should be left
of exchange. The Postmaster
order, sends it in the envelope, and
the change, if any, to the applicant
of the Post Office, if there were to be
as it always should be. Care should be
send these applications in time, at t
Office Offices close these hours before
performance of the duty.
4. No Order must exceed 210, or
fraction of a penny. Orders will be
the current rate of the day and paid
of the day when the service arrived.
ORDERS ON THE UNITED KINGDOM.
Up to 25 18 Cents
Up to 50 38 Cents
Up to 75 58 Cents
Up to 100 78 Cents
Up to 125 98 Cents
Up to 150 118 Cents
Up to 175 138 Cents
Up to 200 158 Cents
Up to 225 178 Cents
Up to 250 198 Cents
Up to 275 218 Cents
Up to 300 238 Cents
Up to 325 258 Cents
Up to 350 278 Cents
Up to 375 298 Cents
Up to 400 318 Cents
Up to 425 338 Cents
Up to 450 358 Cents
Up to 475 378 Cents
Up to 500 398 Cents
Up to 525 418 Cents
Up to 550 438 Cents
Up to 575 458 Cents
Up to 600 478 Cents
Up to 625 498 Cents
Up to 650 518 Cents
Up to 675 538 Cents
Up to 700 558 Cents
Up to 725 578 Cents
Up to 750 598 Cents
Up to 775 618 Cents
Up to 800 638 Cents
Up to 825 658 Cents
Up to 850 678 Cents
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Up to 1950 1558 Cents
Up to 1975 1578 Cents
Up to 2000 1598 Cents
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Up to 2275 1818 Cents
Up to 2300 1838 Cents
Up to 2325 1858 Cents
Up to 2350 1878 Cents
Up to 2375 1898 Cents
Up to 2400 1918 Cents
Up to 2425 1938 Cents
Up to 2450 1958 Cents
Up to 2475 1978 Cents
Up to 2500 1998 Cents
Up to 2525 2018 Cents
Up to 2550 2038 Cents
Up to 2575 2058 Cents
Up to 2600 2078 Cents
Up to 2625 2098 Cents
Up to 2650 2118 Cents
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